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8. [] Left with Bill Woodruff, Senate Appropriations Committee staff, a copy of the "Horse Blanket" which he had requested from John Clarke. Woodruff commented that he did not expect to draw up his own figures on the over all intelligence budget but would rely on the material which we had previously provided him on this in as much as his figures and ours had been reasonably close last year and his cursory examination indicated that they would be very close again this year.

I told Woodruff that the Director would prefer not to have our Senate budget session on the 18th of May and would prefer Tuesday, 19 May. Woodruff said he would work with that date in mind. He added that he had planned to have NRO up the day before the Agency's session.

In view of the Director's commitments on Friday and Monday Woodruff suggested that he come out to see the Director Tuesday afternoon at 3:00 p.m. He added that he would not be sure of this time, however, until Monday.

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9. [] Talked with F. Duayne Trecker, Press Secretary to Senator Warren G. Magnuson, about his referral of a copy of a letter which [] wrote to the Director about an article in the 13 April issue of Newsweek alleging CIA's use of what [] terms mercenaries in Laos. I told Mr. Trecker that the Director was aware of [] letter, but we did not propose to respond to it. I told him that the Agency did not comment publicly on press allegations concerning our activities. I added, however, that if Senator Magnuson was personally interested in this I would be happy to have someone come and talk with him. Trecker said the Senator was not personally interested and although he knew the Senator had a high regard for the Agency he would like some assistance on handling this letter. I told him I would be glad to prepare a suggested response for him and include with it copies of our pamphlet and other materials which might be informative for []

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10. [] Left with James Kendall, Chief Counsel, Senate Subcommittee on Preparedness Investigation, a copy of the latest [] dated 30 April 1970.

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6. [] Delivered to the offices of Senators Strom Thurmond, Alan Cranston, Fred Harris, Jacob Javits, Frank Church and Philip Hart, FBIS items in which their names were mentioned.

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7. [] Representative John Rhodes (R., Ariz.) met with the Director and later with Mr. Carver to pass on his observations during a recent trip to Southeast Asia. He was most complimentary regarding Agency personnel he saw there and said the briefing he had received from Mr. Carver prior to his trip had proved to be very helpful.

I took advantage of Mr. Rhodes' visit to call his attention to seriously distorted press accounts and public speeches regarding alleged opium production and export from the Meo areas of Laos. Rhodes indicated he would be glad to do what he could to refute these allegations.

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8. [] Senator Daniel K. Inouye addressed the Advanced Intelligence Seminar in one of the hearing rooms of the Old Senate Office Building. Inouye spoke mainly of his problems as Democratic Campaign Manager for the upcoming off-year elections, and the prospects of the Democratic candidates involved. However he freely answered questions from the group and spoke highly of the Agency.

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